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DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

Department of the Army

Western Hemisphere Institute for Security Cooperation Board of Visitors Meeting Notice

AGENCY: Department of the Army, DoD.

ACTION: Notice of open meeting.

SUMMARY: The Department of the Army is publishing this notice to announce the following Federal advisory committee meeting of the Western Hemisphere Institute for Security Cooperation (WHINSEC) Board of Visitors. This meeting is open to the public.

DATES: The WHINSEC Board of Visitors will meet from 8:00 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. on Thursday, December 15, 2016.

ADDRESSES: Western Hemisphere Institute for Security Cooperation, Bradley Hall, 7301 Baltzell Avenue, Building 396, Fort Benning, GA 31905.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Mr. Richard Procell, Acting Executive Secretary for the Committee, in writing at USACGSC, 100 Stimson Avenue, Fort Leavenworth, KS 66027-2301, by e-mail at *richard.d.procell2.civ@mail.mil*, or by telephone at (913) 684-2963.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The committee meeting is being held under the provisions of the Federal Advisory Committee Act of 1972 (5 U.S.C., Appendix, as amended), the Government in the Sunshine Act of 1976 (5 U.S.C. § 552b, as amended), 41 CFR 102-3.140(c), and 41 CFR § 102-3.150.

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Purpose of the Meeting: The Western Hemisphere Institute for Security

Cooperation (WHINSEC) Board of Visitors (BoV) is a non-discretionary Federal

Advisory Committee chartered to provide the Secretary of Defense, through the

Secretary of the Army, independent advice and recommendations on matters pertaining
to the curriculum, instruction, physical equipment, fiscal affairs, and academic methods
of the Institute; other matters relating to the Institute that the Board decides to consider;
and other items that the Secretary of Defense determines appropriate. The Board
reviews curriculum to determine whether it adheres to current U.S. doctrine, complies
with applicable U.S. laws and regulations, and is consistent with U.S. policy goals
toward Latin America and the Caribbean. The Board also determines whether the
instruction under the curriculum of the Institute appropriately emphasizes human rights,
the rule of law, due process, civilian control of the military, and the role of the military in
a democratic society. The Secretary of Defense may act on the Committee's advice
and recommendations.

Agenda: Status briefing on the Institute from the Commandant; update briefings from the Office of the Under Secretary of Defense (Policy); Department of State; U.S. Northern Command; and U.S. Southern Command; presentation of other information appropriate to the board's interests, and a public comments period.

Public Accessibility to the Meeting: Pursuant to 5 U.S.C. § 552b, as amended, and 41 CFR §§ 102–3.140 through 102–3.165, and subject to the availability of space, this meeting is open to the public. Seating is on a first to arrive basis. Attendees are requested to submit their name, affiliation, and daytime phone number seven business days prior to the meeting to Mr. Procell, via electronic mail, the preferred mode of

submission, at the address listed in the "FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT" section. Because the meeting of the committee will be held in a Federal Government facility on a military base, security screening is required. A photo ID is required to enter base. Please note that security and gate guards have the right to inspect vehicles and persons seeking to enter and exit the installation. Bradley Hall is fully handicap accessible. Wheelchair access is available in front at the main entrance of the building. For additional information about public access procedures, contact Mr. Procell at the email address or telephone number listed in the "FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT" section.

Written Comments and Statements: Pursuant to 41 CFR §§ 102-3.105(j) and 102-3.140 and section 10(a)(3) of the Federal Advisory Committee Act, the public or interested organizations may submit written comments or statements to the Committee, in response to the stated agenda of the open meeting or in regard to the Committee's mission in general. Written comments or statements should be submitted to Mr. Procell, via electronic mail, the preferred mode of submission, at the address listed in the "FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT" section. Each page of the comment or statement must include the author's name, title or affiliation, address, and daytime phone number. Written comments or statements being submitted in response to the agenda set forth in this notice must be received at least seven business days prior to the meeting to be considered by the Committee. The Designated Federal Officer will review all timely submitted written comments or statements with the Committee Chairperson, and ensure the comments are provided to all members of the Committee before the meeting. Written comments or statements received after this date may not

be provided to the Committee until its next meeting. Pursuant to 41 CFR § 102–3.140d,

the Committee is not obligated to allow a member of the public to speak or otherwise

address the Committee during the meeting. Members of the public will be permitted to

make verbal comments during the Committee meeting only at the time and in the

manner described below. If a member of the public is interested in making a verbal

comment at the open meeting, that individual must submit a request, with a brief

statement of the subject matter to be addressed by the comment, at least three (3)

business days in advance to Mr. Procell, via electronic mail, the preferred mode of

submission, at the address listed in the "FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT"

section. Requests will be logged in the order received. The Designated Federal Officer

in consultation with the Committee Chair will determine whether the subject matter of

each comment is relevant to the Committee's mission and/or the topics to be addressed

in this public meeting. A 30-minute period between 10:30 to 11:00 a.m. will be available

for verbal public comments. Members of the public who have requested to make a

verbal comment and whose comments have been deemed relevant under the process

described above, will be allotted no more than three (3) minutes during this period, and

will be invited to speak in the order in which their requests were received.

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Army Federal Register Liaison Officer

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